

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An electronic apparatus comprising:

a housing having an outer wall;

5 a pointing device having a flat input surface and
contained in the housing such that the input surface is
placed on an inner surface of the outer wall of the
housing; and

an operation-area indicating sheet removably
provided on an outer surface of the outer wall of the
10 housing at a position corresponding to at least part of
the input surface of the pointing device.

2. The electronic apparatus according to claim 1,
wherein

the outer surface of the outer wall has
15 a sheet-containment depressed portion at a position
corresponding to at least part of the input surface of
the pointing device,

the sheet-containment depressed portion has a base
and a peripheral surface rising from a perimeter of the
20 base, and

the operation-area indicating sheet is removably
stuck to the base of the sheet-containment depressed
portion.

3. The electronic apparatus according to claim 1,
25 wherein an exposed surface of the operation-area
indicating sheet is different in color from the outer
surface of the outer wall.

4. The electronic apparatus according to claim 1,
wherein an exposed surface of the operation-area
indicating sheet is decorated with a pattern.

5. The electronic apparatus according to claim 1,
5 wherein

the outer surface of the outer wall has a palm
rest, and

the operation-area indicating sheet is provided on
the palm rest.

10 6. The electronic apparatus according to claim 2,
wherein

the housing has an overhang edge portion at an
opening end of the sheet-containment depressed portion,
and

15 the overhang edge portion overhangs to cover at
least part of a perimeter portion of the operation-area
indicating sheet.

7. The electronic apparatus according to claim 2,
wherein the outer surface of the outer wall has
20 a finger recess, at a position corresponding to the
sheet-containment depressed portion, for putting
a finger on an edge of the operation-area indicating
sheet when the operation-area indicating sheet is
peeled off.

25 8. The electronic apparatus according to claim 6,
wherein the housing has a frame that fits into the
sheet-containment depressed portion along the

peripheral surface of the sheet-containment depressed portion, and

the overhang edge portion is provided to the frame.

5 9. The electronic apparatus according to claim 6, wherein

the base of the sheet-containment depressed portion has four corner portions, and

10 four overhang edge portions identical to the overhang edge portion are provided at positions corresponding to the four corner portions, respectively.

15 10. The electronic apparatus according to claim 6, wherein the operation-area indicating sheet is flexible.

11. The electronic apparatus according to claim 7, wherein the base of the sheet-containment depression portion has a side, and the finger recess is provided at a position corresponding to the side.

20 12. The electronic apparatus according to claim 7, wherein the finger recess has a base situated at a lower level than an exposed surface of the operation-area indicating sheet.

25 13. The electronic apparatus according to claim 8, wherein

the base of the sheet-containment depressed portion has four corner portions, and

four overhang edge portions identical to the overhang edge portion are provided at positions corresponding to the four corner portions, respectively.

- 5 14. The electronic apparatus according to claim 11, wherein the finger recess has a base situated at a lower level than an exposed surface of the operation-area indicating sheet.